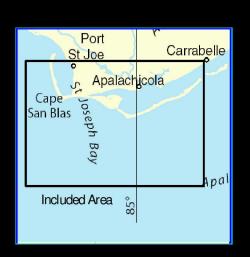
# **BookletChart**

# Apalachicola Bay To Cape San Blas

(NOAA Chart 11401)

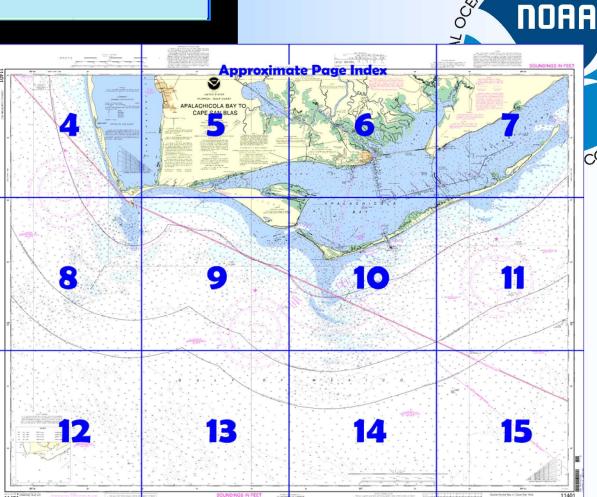


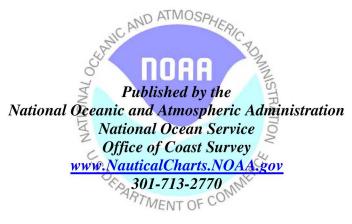
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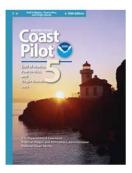
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[Coast Pilot 5, Chapter 6 excerpts]
(45) St. George Sound and Apalachicola
Bay are shallow with numerous oyster reefs
and shoals dangerous to navigation.

(69) St. George Island and Little St. George Island. A marked channel leads to the town of Eastpoint. The depths were 5 feet in the entrance channel, thence 3 feet in the W arm of the channel paralleling the shore at Eastpoint and 2½ feet in the E arm. Detached breakwaters parallel the E and W arms of the channel. Gasoline in cans, groceries, ice, a

launching ramp, and some marine supplies are available on St. George Island at the SW end of the causeway. Gasoline, diesel fuel, and marine supplies are available at the wharves at Eastpoint.

(72) **Apalachicola**. The port is the gateway for the extensive river systems of the Chattahoochee and Flint Rivers. The Intracoastal Waterway enters Apalachicola River, passes the town, and then continues

W through Jackson River. The town has several historic buildings, a museum, and a hospital.

(74) **Dangers.** A fan-shaped test firing area, marked by unlighted buoys, is centered 4 miles S of the abandoned lighthouse on Little St. George Island.

(75) **Channels.** The main entrance to Apalachicola Bay is through **Government Cut.** The entrance to the cut is protected by twin jetties. The depth was 1.4 feet (1.9 feet at midchannel). The channel is marked by lighted buoys, a lighted range, and daybeacons.

(76) A dangerous wreck that uncovers was 1.0 mile SE of the entrance buoys in 29°35'14.4"N., 84°56'42.6"W.

(77) The channel is entered through a buoyed bar channel, marked at the entrance by a lighted buoy, 3.7 miles W of Sand Island. The bar channel is subject to shoaling and is marked by buoys which may be relocated to mark the best water. Mariners should use caution when transiting West Pass. Once inside the pass, depths of 9 feet can be carried to Apalachicola.

(79) **Two Mile Channel**. The depth in the entrance channel was 4.7 feet, thence 3.8 feet (4.0 feet at midchannel) in the W channel, and 3.9 feet (5.3 feet at midchannel) in the E channel. An entrance light and daybeacons mark the channels.

(81) **Anchorages.** Vessels may anchor anywhere in **Upper Anchorage** in Apalachicola Bay. Good anchorage in depths of 12 to 15 feet may be found in **Lower Anchorage**, E of Sand Island. Another good anchorage is 1 mile S of the turn in the channel leading to Apalachicola.

(83) **Cape St. George Shoal** consists of several detached spots with moderate depths between them. The shoal is marked by a lighted bell buoy on its S end and by a buoy off its E side.

(84) Shoals extend more than 3 miles offshore at West Pass. The approach is marked by a lighted buoy and several other buoys that are shifted to conform to changes in the channel.

(86) **currents.** The currents are influenced by the winds and by freshets, and at times are very strong, especially the ebb; at flood they are generally weak. A velocity of 3 knots has been observed in West Pass channel at a point inside the bar 0.8 mile NE of Lighted Buoy 2. The ebb current runs out through West Pass and divides, part going to the S over the breakers and part following the deeper water to the bar, the latter being the stronger.

(87) In Apalachicola River, the current is principally ebb. With strong winds from the N and E there will be little or no flood current or even slack water, and the height of the water in the bay and river will be reduced a foot or more. The tides meet somewhat to the W of Bulkhead Shoal, the ebb current flowing E through the cut.

(97) Apalachicola River. The Intracoastal Waterway extends through the lower part of Apalachicola River, branching W through Jackson River. A Federal project provides a 9-foot channel in Apalachicola River from Jackson River to Chattahoochee River. The channel is marked by daybeacons and unlighted buoys.

(99) 3.7 miles above the mouth, the river is crossed by a railroad swing bridge with a clearance of 11 feet.

(100) N and S of the John Gorrie Memorial Bridge are numerous private docks with small-craft berths. The municipal pier and basin are 300 yards S of the bridge. Berths and a launching ramp are available. The pier had a depth of 3 feet alongside the outer face, with 5 feet in the basin.

(101) **Small-craft facilities.** There are several small-craft facilities at Apalachicola. There are fish piers on Two Mile Channel.

(103) **Chattahoochee River**. A Federal project provides a 9-foot channel from the confluence with Flint and Apalachicola Rivers to Columbus. (104) There are three dams and navigation locks which are 450 feet long, 82 feet wide, and have a minimum depth of 13 feet over the sills. Operating hours of the locks are: Woodruff Lock, 24 hours; Andrews Lock, 24 hours; and George Lock, 0800 to 1600. There are general cargo wharf and an oil terminal, and a public ramp at Columbia.

## **Table of Selected Chart Notes**

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#### HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

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Temporary changes or defects in aids to gation are not indicated on this chart. See il Notice to Mariners.

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AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to

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NOTE S

Regulations for Ocean Dumping Sites are contained in 40 CFR, Parts 220-229. Additional information concerning the regulations and requirements for use of the sites may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). See U.S. Coast Pilots appendix for addresses of EPA offices. Dumping subsequent to the survey dates may have reduced the depths shown.

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No.

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

NOTE A
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SUBMARINE PIPELINES AND CABLES
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Covered wells may be marked by lighted or

Fixed and floating obstructions, some submerged, may exist within the magenta tinted bridge construction area. Mariners are advised to proceed with caution.

#### RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

#### NOTE B

WEST PASS CHANNEL The West Pass Bar channel is subject to extreme shoaling and is unreliable for navigation.

#### HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.759" northward and 0.312" eastward to great with this plant. to agree with this chart.

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INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY Use charts 11393, 11402 and 11404.

The project depth is 12 feet from Carabelle Florida to New Orleans, Louisiana, The controlling depths are published period-ically in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to

APALACHICOLA BAY

TWO MILE ENTRANCE CHANNEL

The controlling depth was 5 feet for a width of 100 feet from Lt "1" to buoy "4", thence 2½ feet to the apex.

#### WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

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#### LORAN-C GENERAL EXPLANATION

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EXAMPLE: 7980-Y

#### RATES ON THIS CHART

Loran-C correction tables published by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency or others should not be used with this chart. The lines of position shown have been adjusted based on survey data. Every effort has been made to meet the ½ nautical mile accuracy criteria established by the U.S. Coast Guard. Mariners are cautioned not to rely solely on the lattices in instrume water. the lattices in inshore waters.

#### SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

COLREGS: International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. Demarcation lines are shown thus: -

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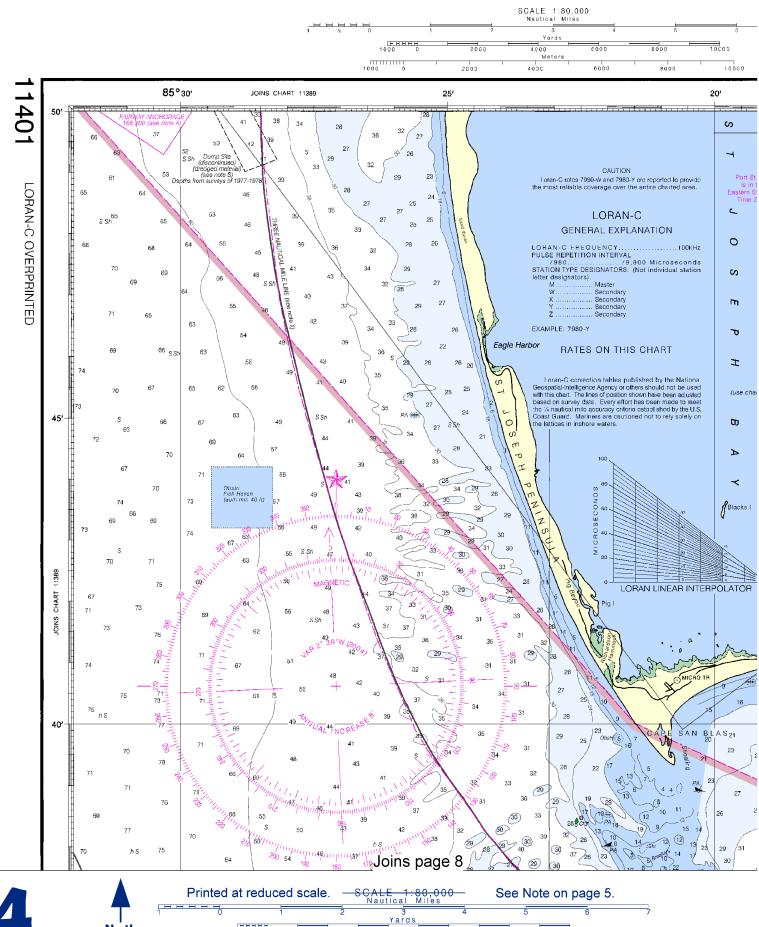
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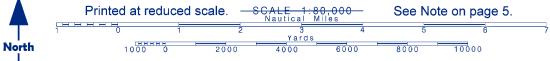
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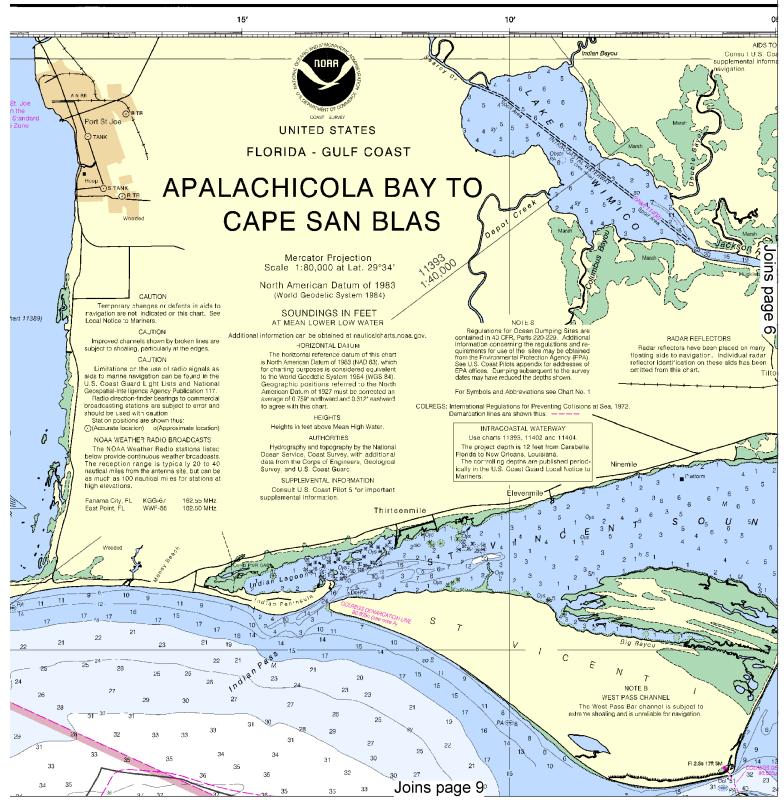


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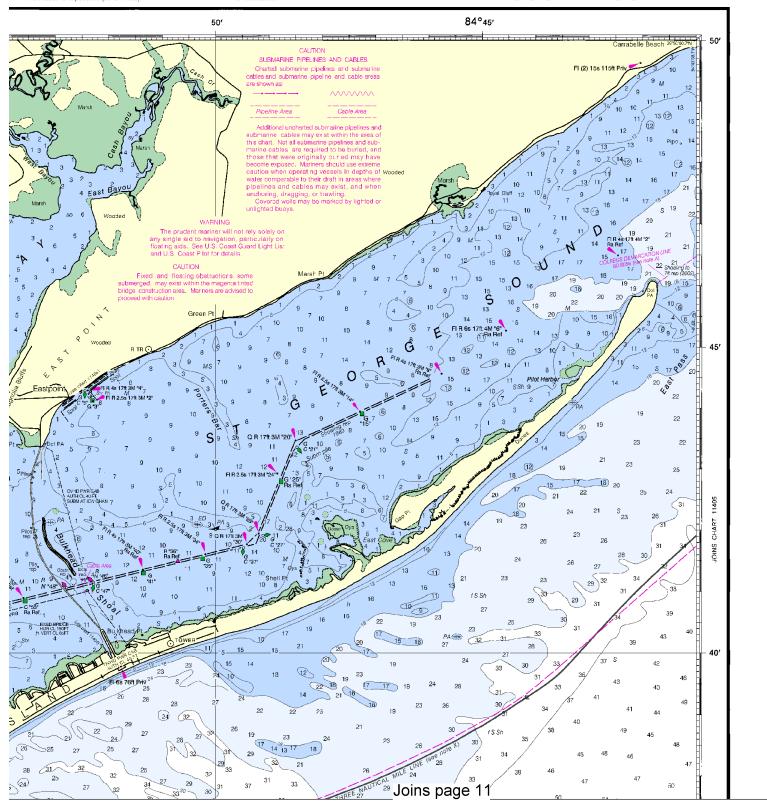
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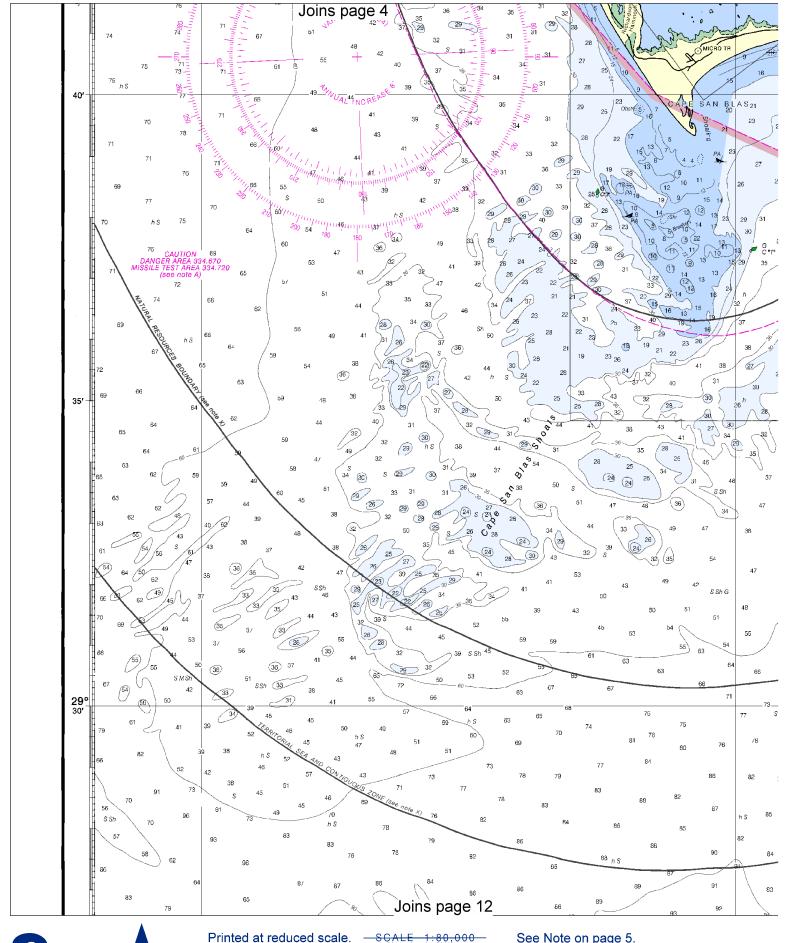
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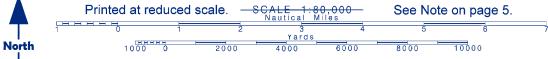
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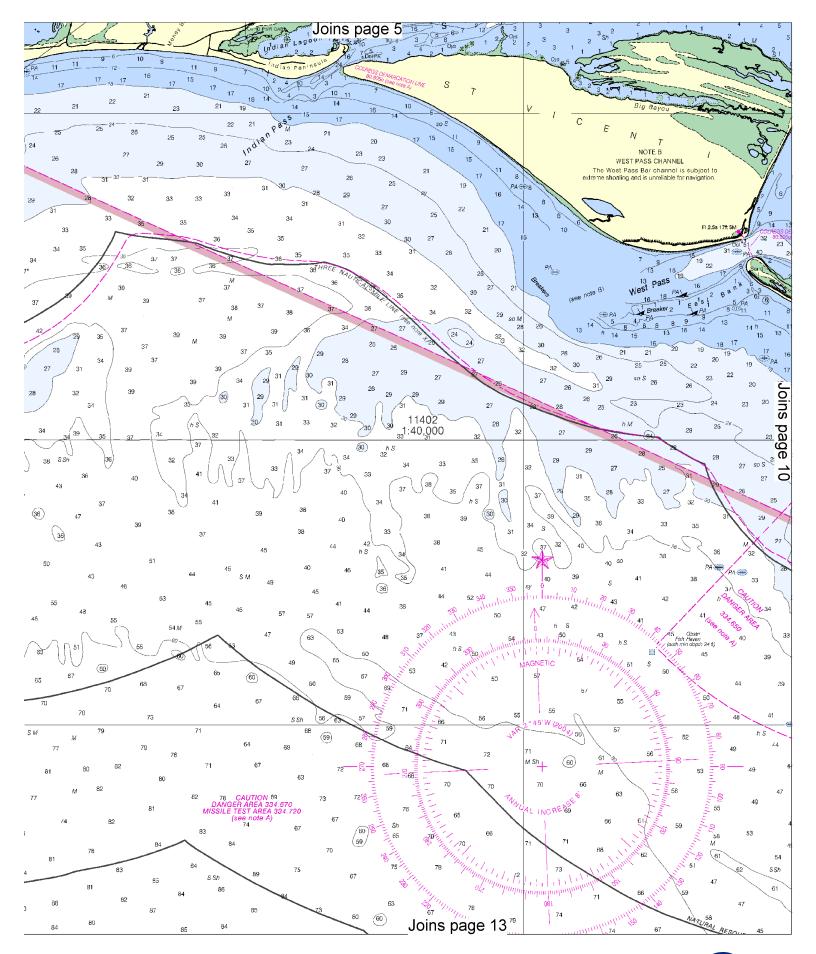


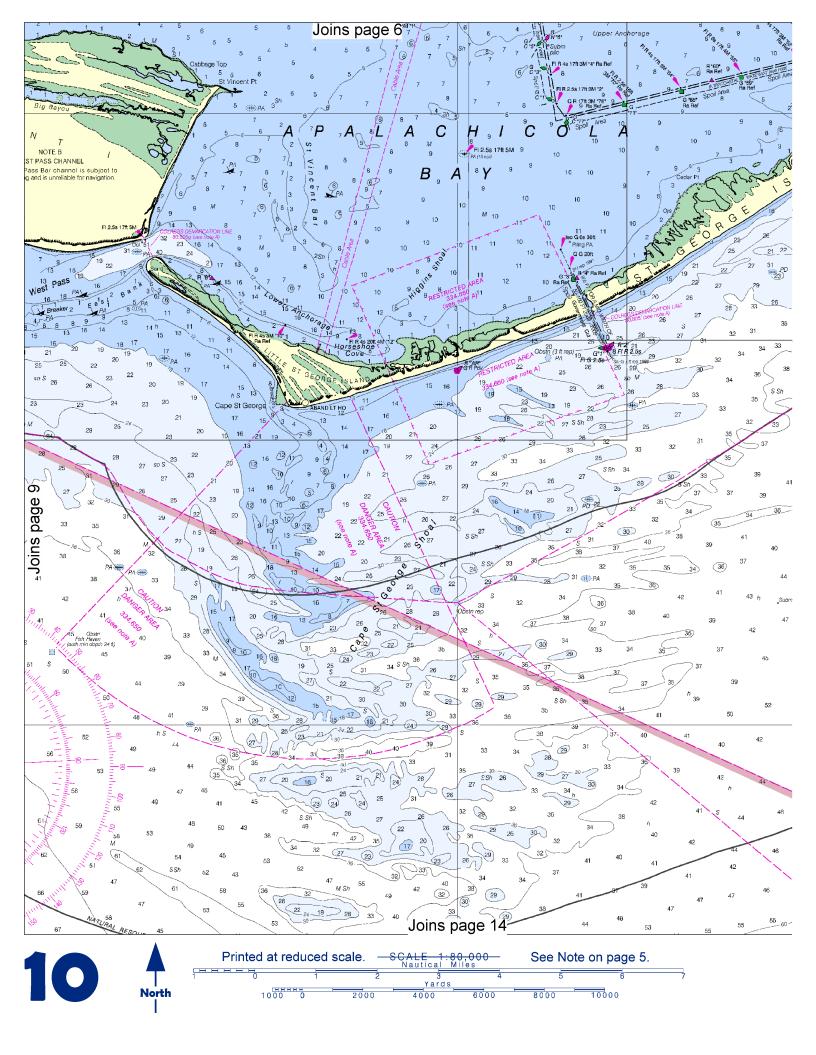
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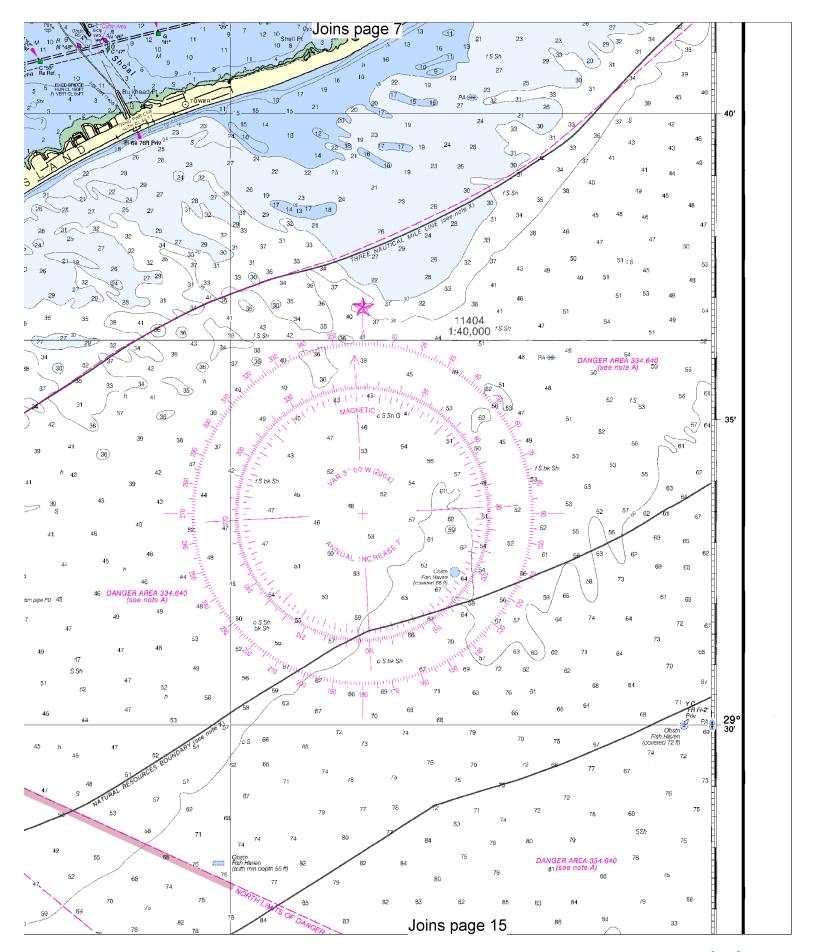


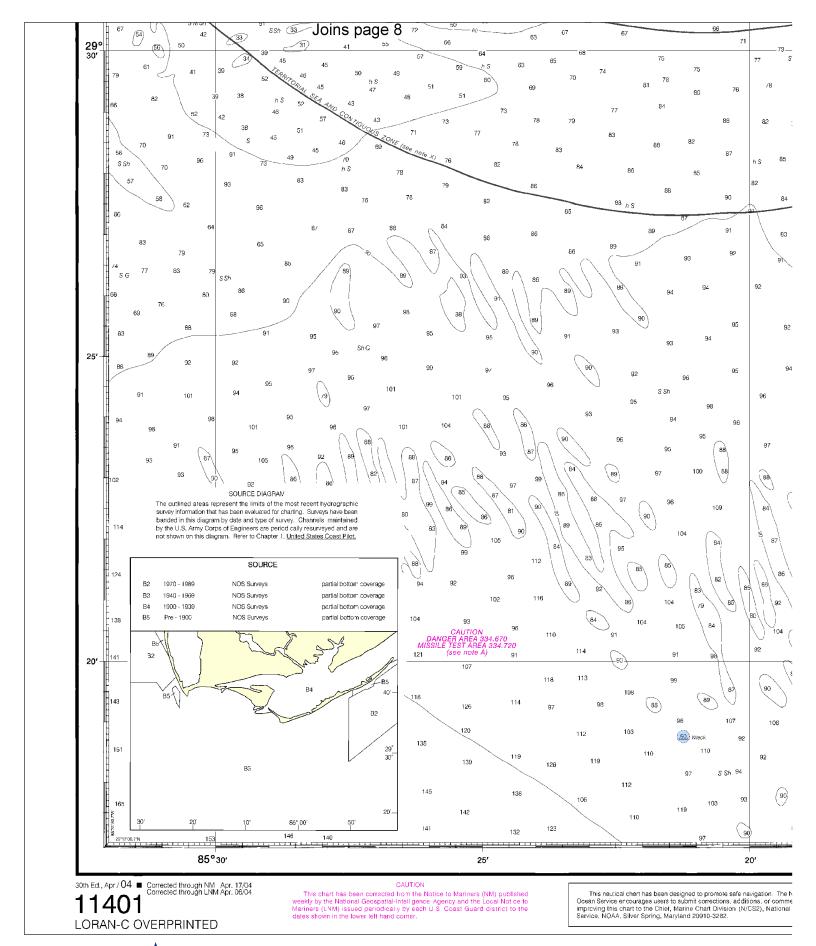


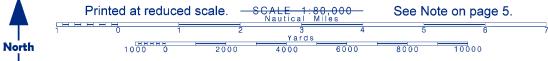


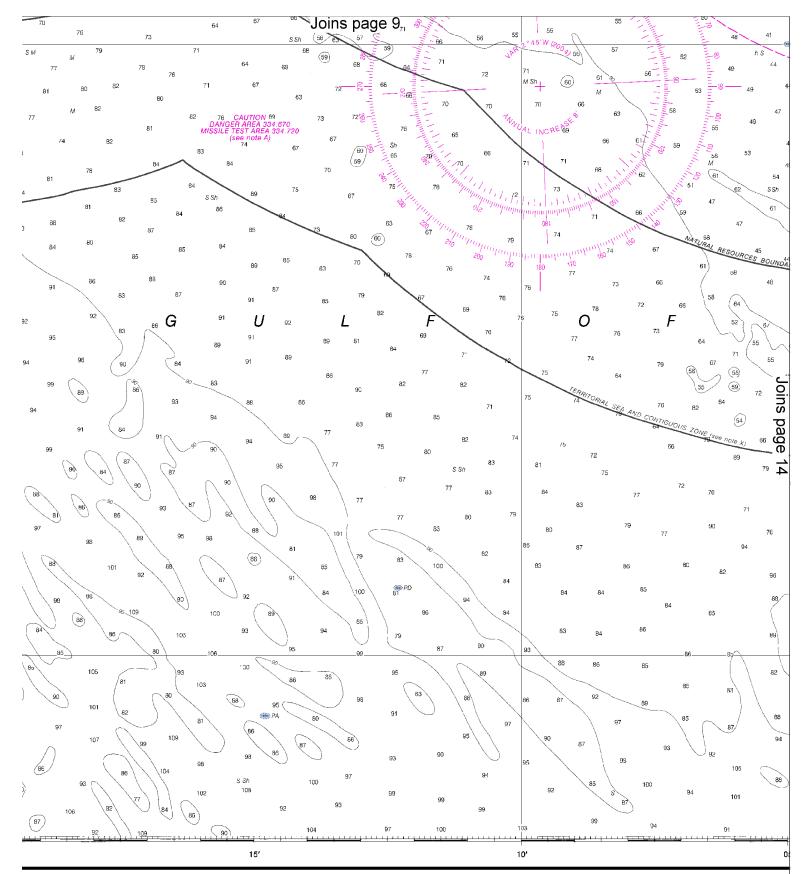








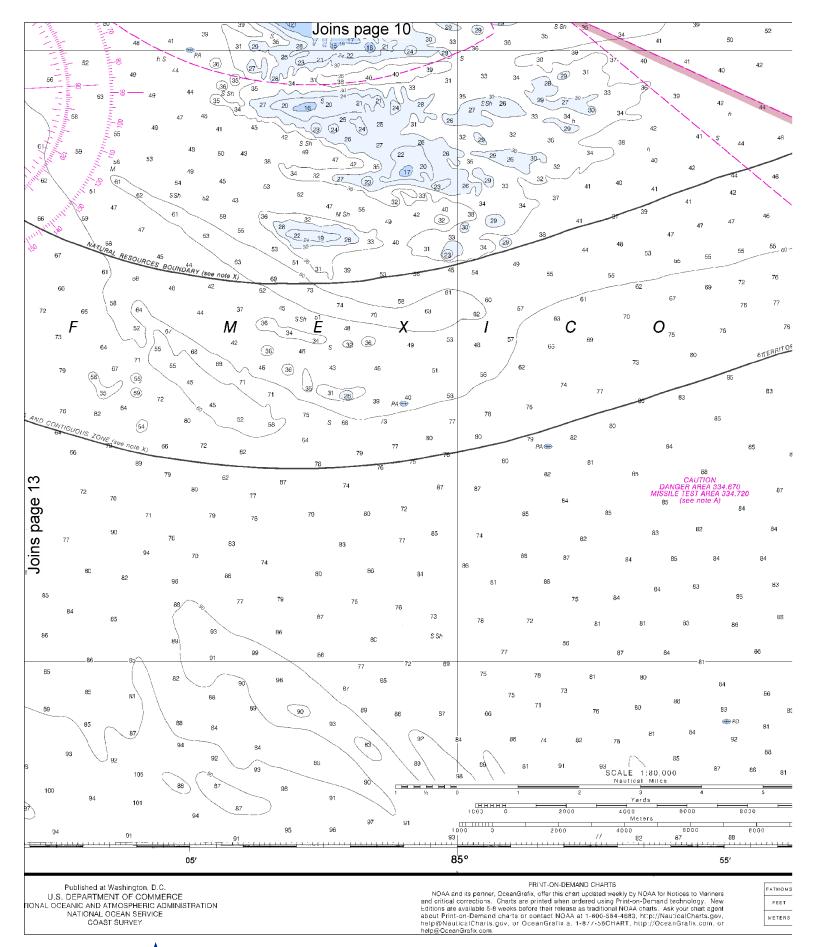




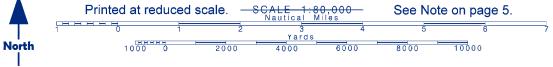
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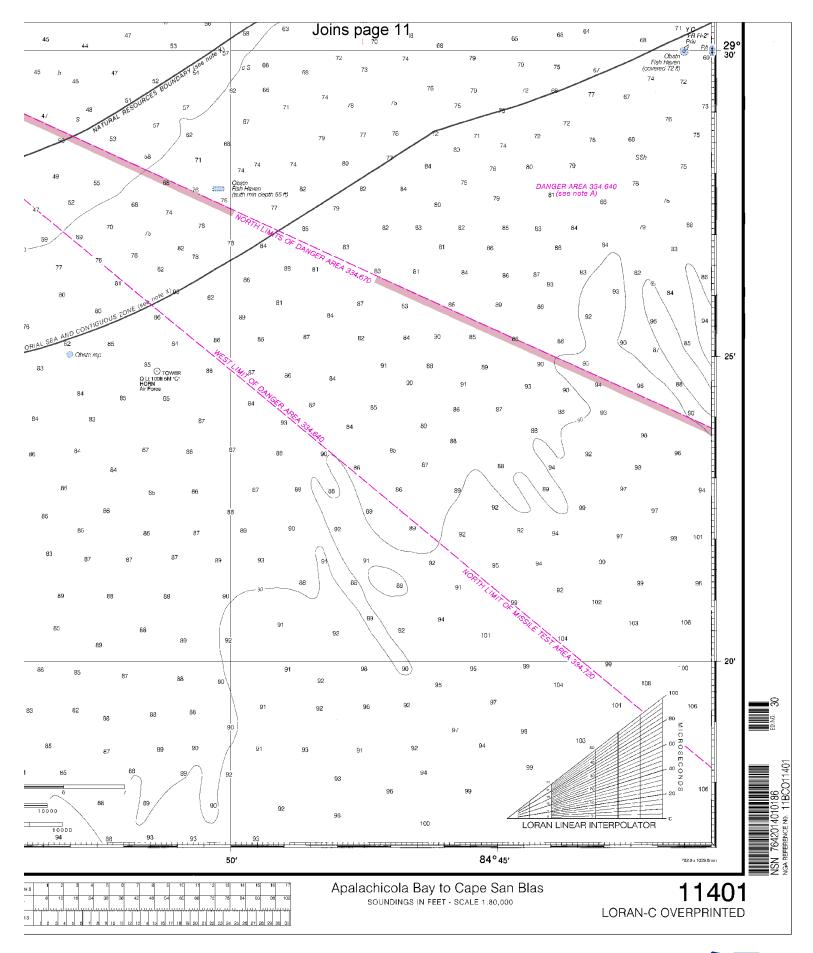
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- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

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